



# ***Microturbines***

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# ***What is a Microturbine?***

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- ***A Microturbine is a turbine engine-generator, typically sized 250 kW or less***
- ***A way to supply continuous energy to a facility at the point of use***
- ***Installed inside or near a building to provide electricity and optionally, heat***
- ***Similar to a placing a furnace, boiler, backup genset, or chiller in a facility***
- ***Approximately 3,000 Microturbines shipped worldwide***



# ***What's in it for you?***

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## ***An opportunity to:***

- ***Save money buying energy***
  - ***Avoid penalty tariffs***
  - ***Isolate loads to minimize demand charges***
- ***Support energy conservation efforts***
- ***Reduce environmental impact***
  - ***Offset higher emission utility power***
  - ***Reduce flare emissions***
- ***Avoid power outages***
  - ***Eliminate production and data losses***
  - ***Provide power during emergencies***
  - ***Isolate priority loads in problem power areas***
- ***Potentially helps solve facility power problems***
  - ***Produce power where needed***
  - ***Provide power to remote sites***



# Microturbine Applications

Customer  
Motivations

*Cost Savings*

*Power  
Availability*

*Power  
Generation*

*Power Quality*

*Environ.  
Compliance*



Typical  
Application  
Segments

*Agriculture,  
Hotel,  
Chemical*

*Health Care,  
Universities,  
Food Distrib.*

*Landfill,  
Mining,  
Wastewater*

*Communication,  
IT,  
Process Mfg*

*Petroleum,  
Process,  
Materials*

Type of Service

<i>Cogeneration</i>	✓	✓	✓		✓
<i>Peak Shaving</i>	✓	✓	✓		✓
<i>Prime Power</i>			✓	✓	✓
<i>Running Backup</i>	✓	✓		✓	
<i>Remote Power</i>			✓	✓	



# ***Microturbine Applications***



**Air Heating & Chilling: Indiana**

## **Combined Heat and Power (CHP)**

- Utilize both electricity and heat to increase efficiency to 70% - 90%
- Reduce greenhouse gases
- Provide air conditioning while reducing overall electrical load.



**Absorption Chilling: California**





# ***Microturbine Applications***

## ***Flare Gas Reduction***

- ***Uses Unprocessed Wellhead Gas***
  - ***Up to 7% Sour ( $H_2S$ ) gas***
- ***Reduce Flare Gases***
- ***Power Remote Sites***



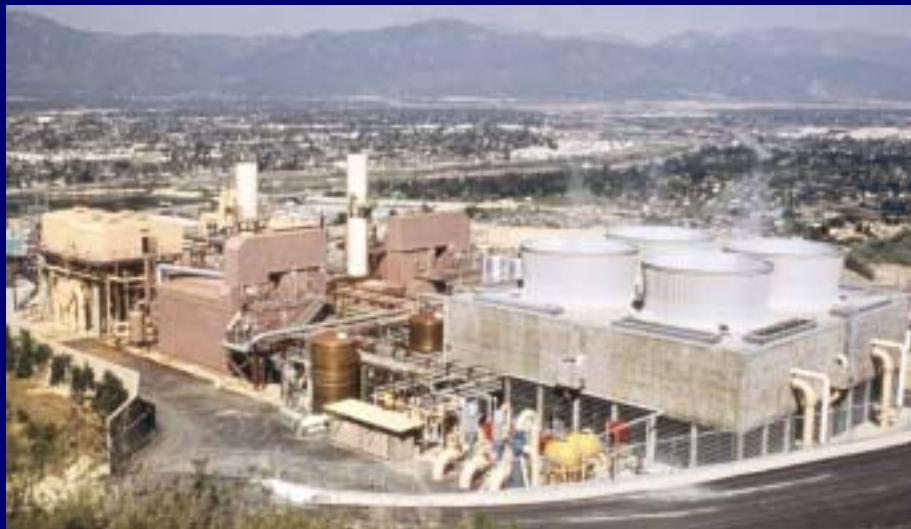
***PanCanadian Installation in Alberta, Canada***



***Williams DPS Installation in Colorado***



# ***Microturbine Applications***



**Landfill: World's 2nd  
Largest Landfill, in  
Puente Hills, California**



**Digester: System with Capstone  
Gas Booster Option at Palmdale  
Water Treatment Plant, California**



**Undergoing Independent  
Emissions Testing at  
Puente Hills Landfill**

**Digester: Industrial Enclosure with  
Separate Heat Recovery, Operating at a  
Water Treatment Plant in Pennsylvania**





# ***Microturbine Applications***



## **Power Quality / Reliability**

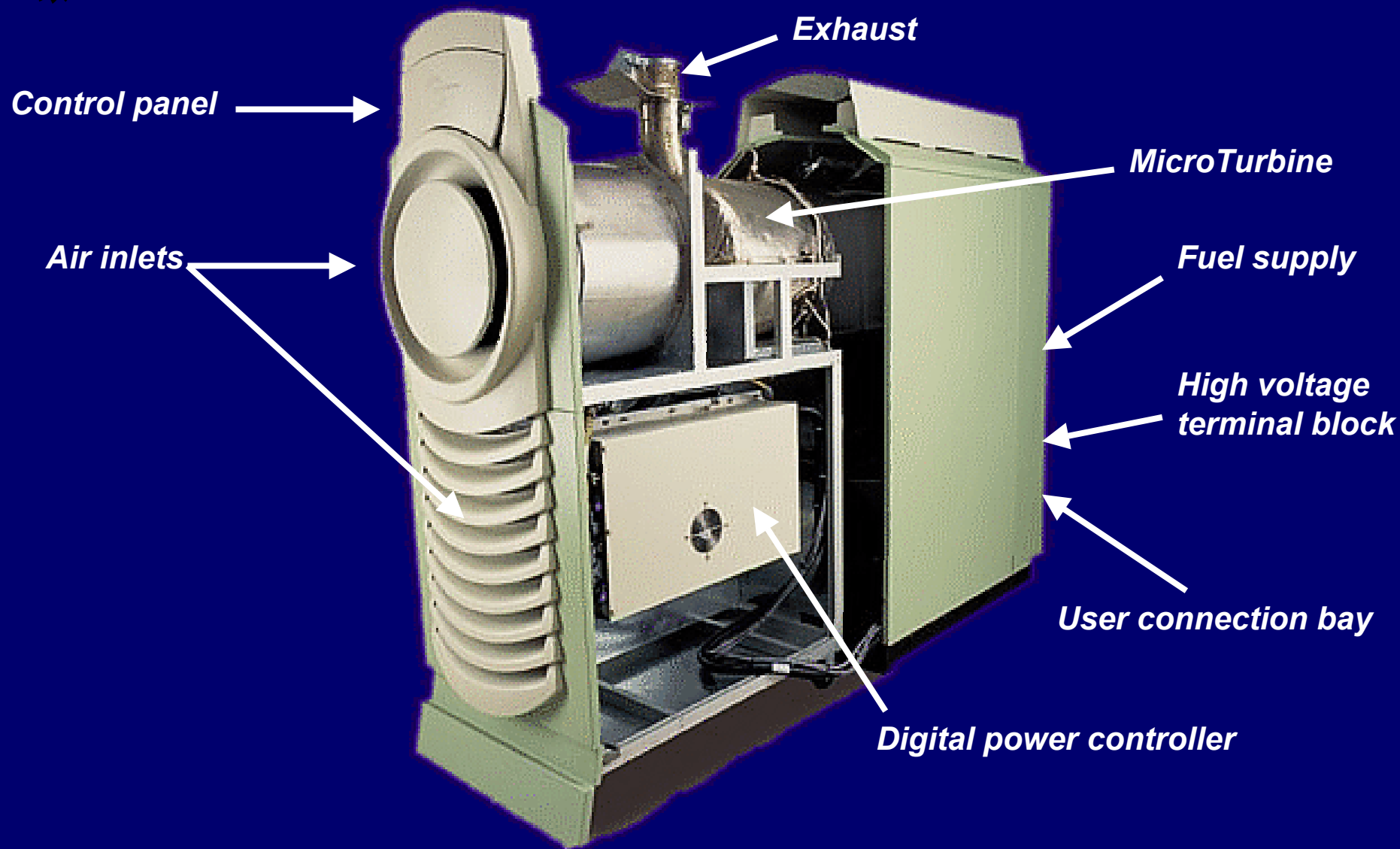
- Supply high-reliability power to critical and sensitive loads
- Eliminate outage costs
- Reduce reliance on grid during peak demand times
- 30/60 kW per module size provides low cost  $n + x$  redundancy

**25 Multi-packed Capstone MicroTurbines w/ Trigen (cogeneration or combined heat & power + cooling) at a Plastics Manufacturing Plant in Upstate NY**





# ***Inside the Capstone MicroTurbine***



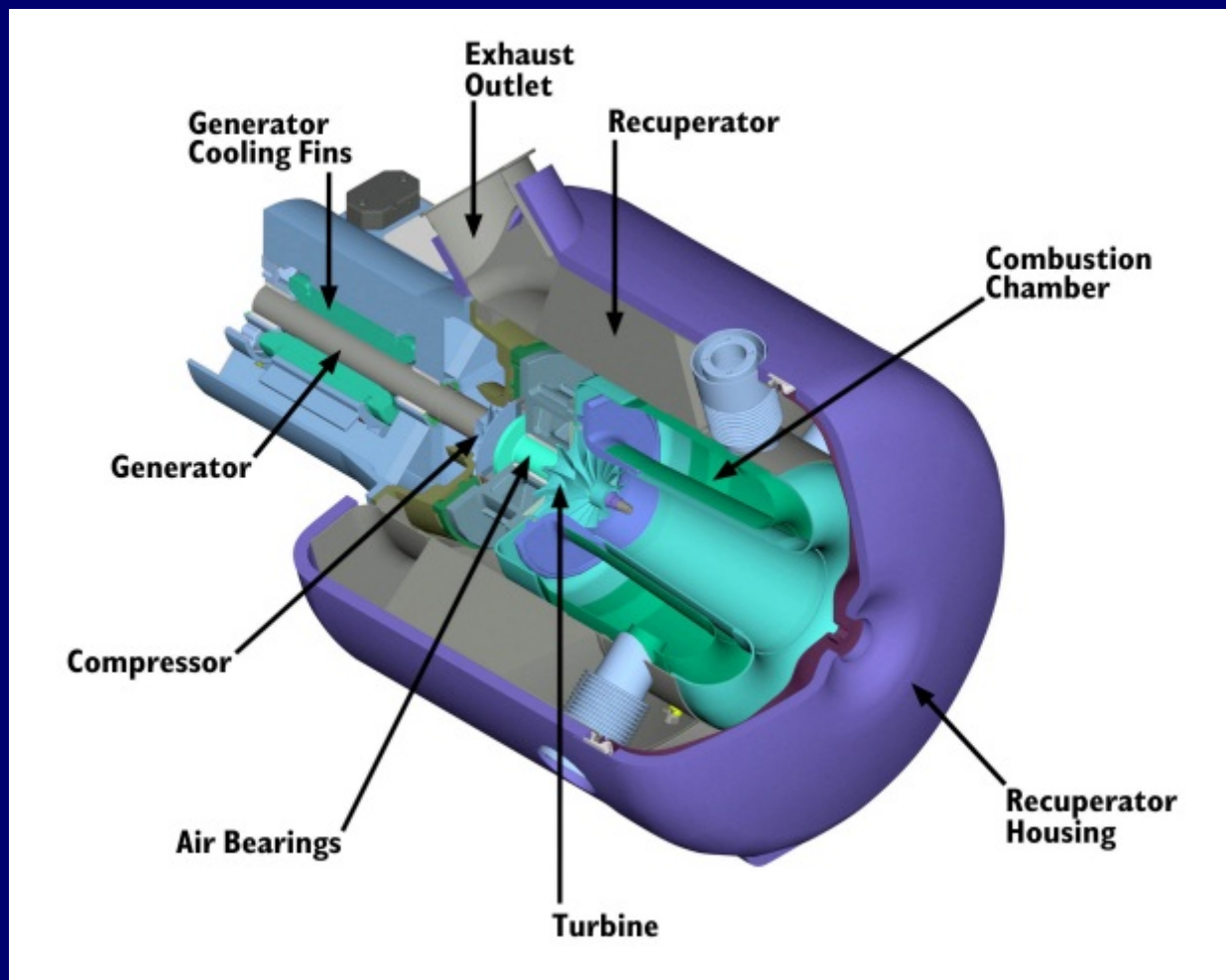


# ***Inside the Capstone MicroTurbine***





# ***MicroTurbine Technology***





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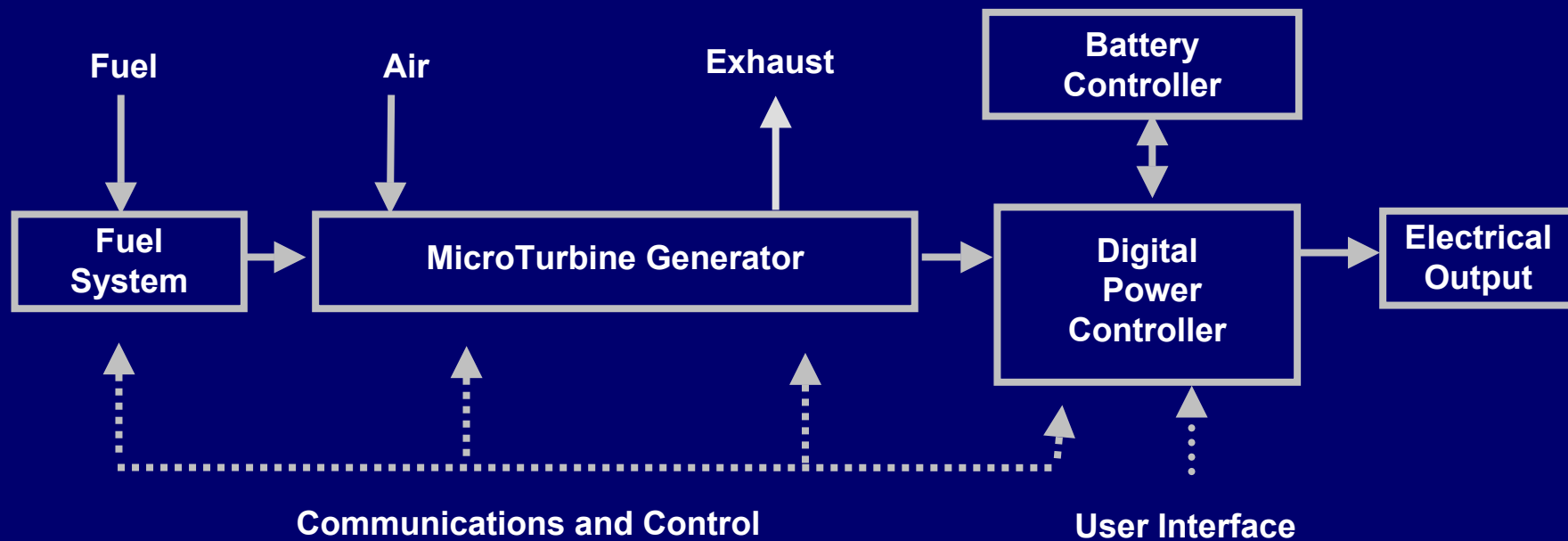
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- ***Turbine inlet Air Flow*** ***550 SCFM***
- ***Maximum Pressure Drop:  
(ambient to Compressor Inlet)*** ***0.5 inch H<sub>2</sub>O***
- ***Exhaust Gas Flow*** ***575 SCFM***  
***(~1100 CFM @ rated conditions)***
- ***Exhaust Gas Temperature (Max)*** ***316 °C***  
***(600 °F)***
- ***Maximum Pressure Drop  
(Back-pressure - Exhaust Flange  
to ambient)*** ***8.0 inch H<sub>2</sub>O***



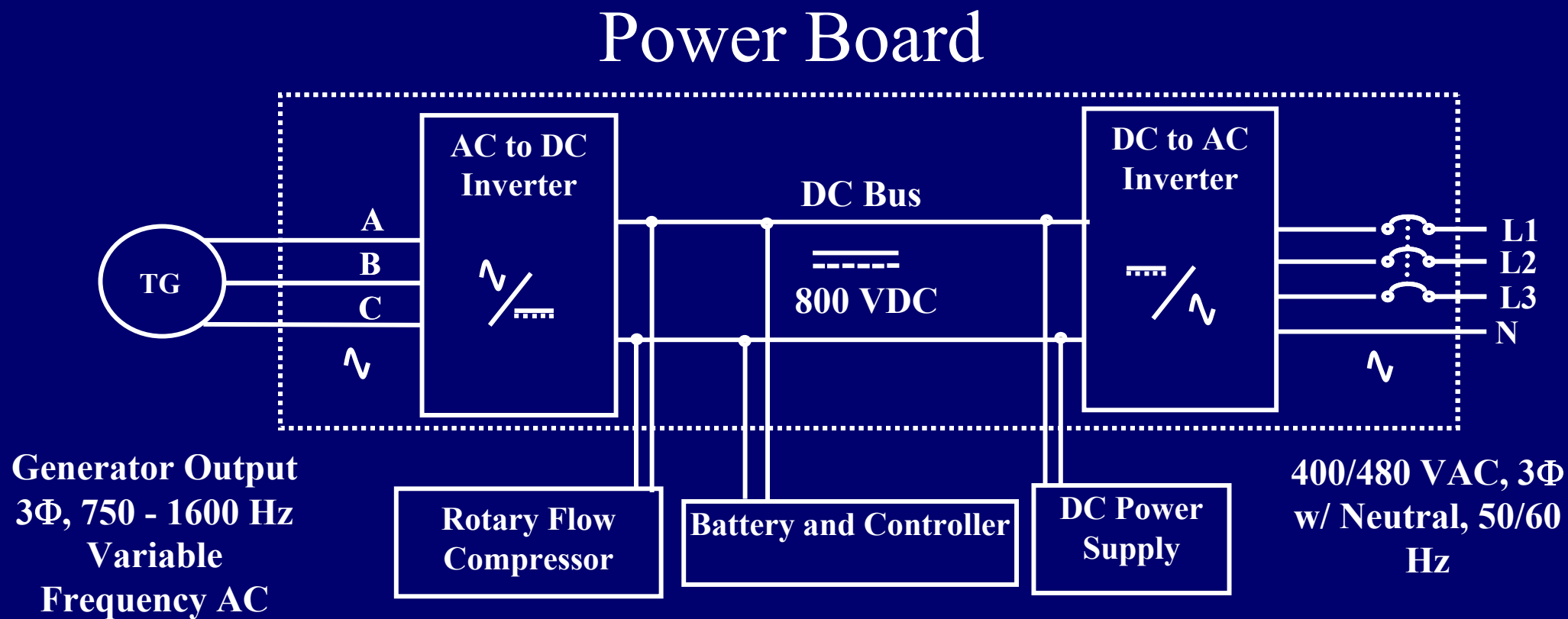


# ***System Block Diagram***



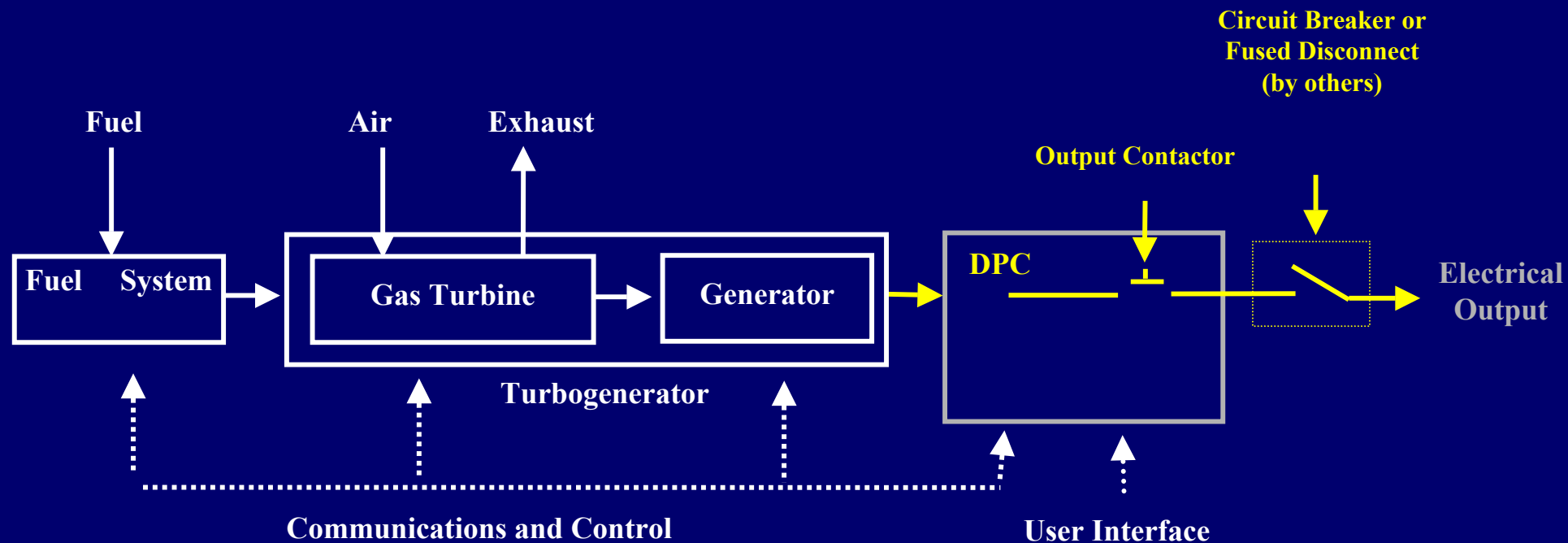


# System Block Diagram - DPC Function



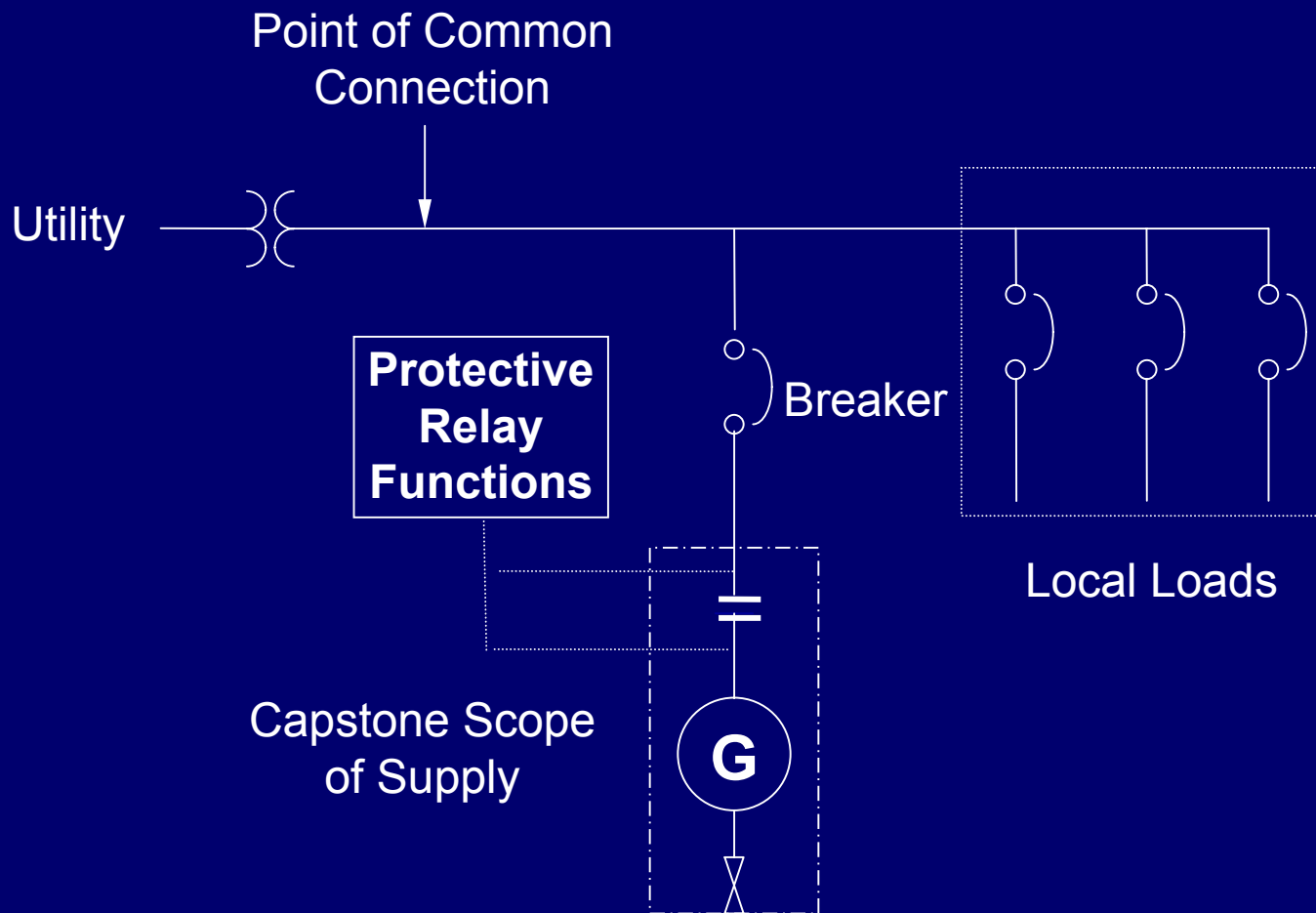


# System Block Diagram – Grid Isolation





# *Installation Types – Single Unit using Internal Relays*

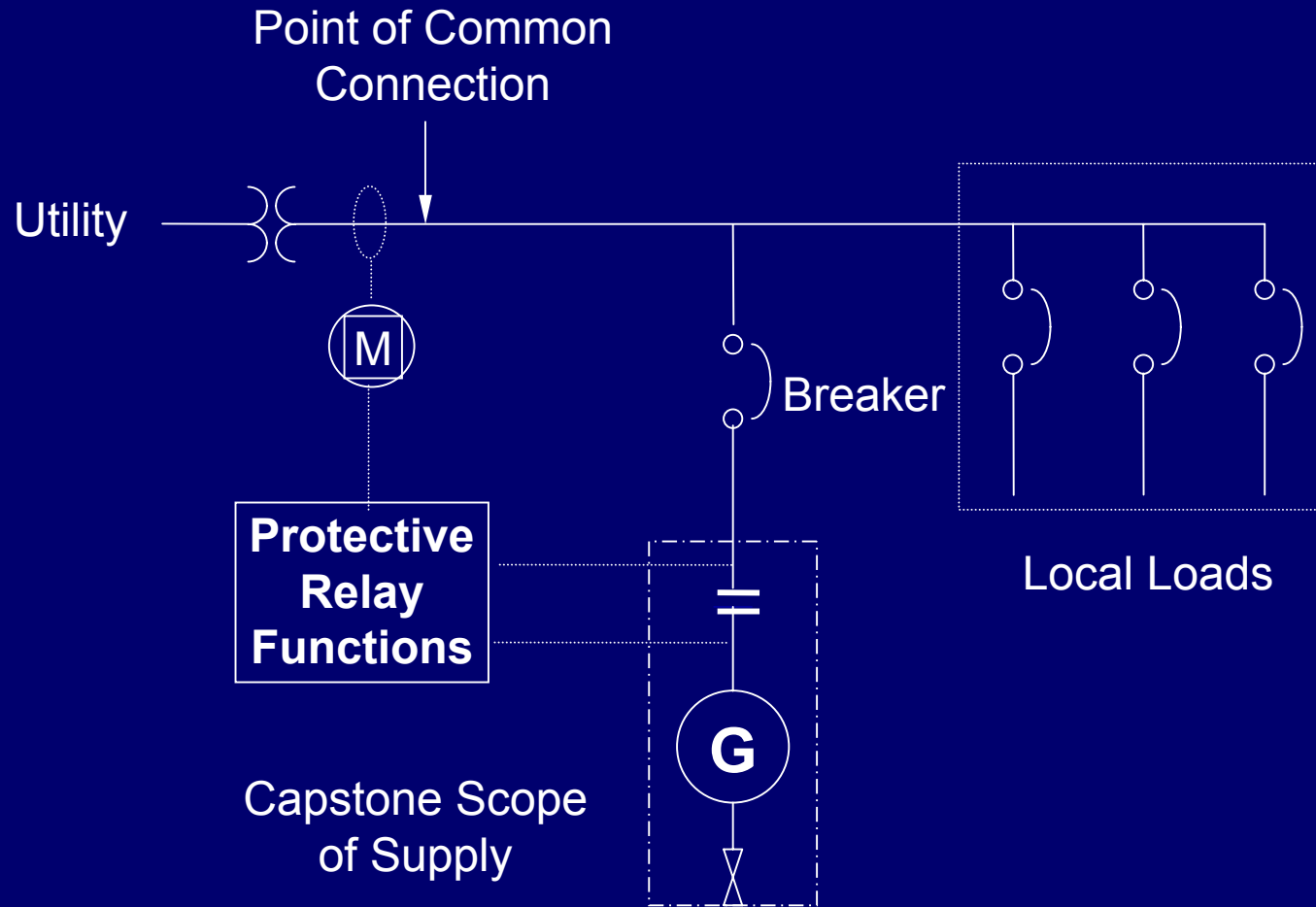


**Protective Relay Functions are built into the Capstone MicroTurbine and shut the Microturbine down if an island is detected or if the voltage or frequency fall outside of their programmable setpoints**





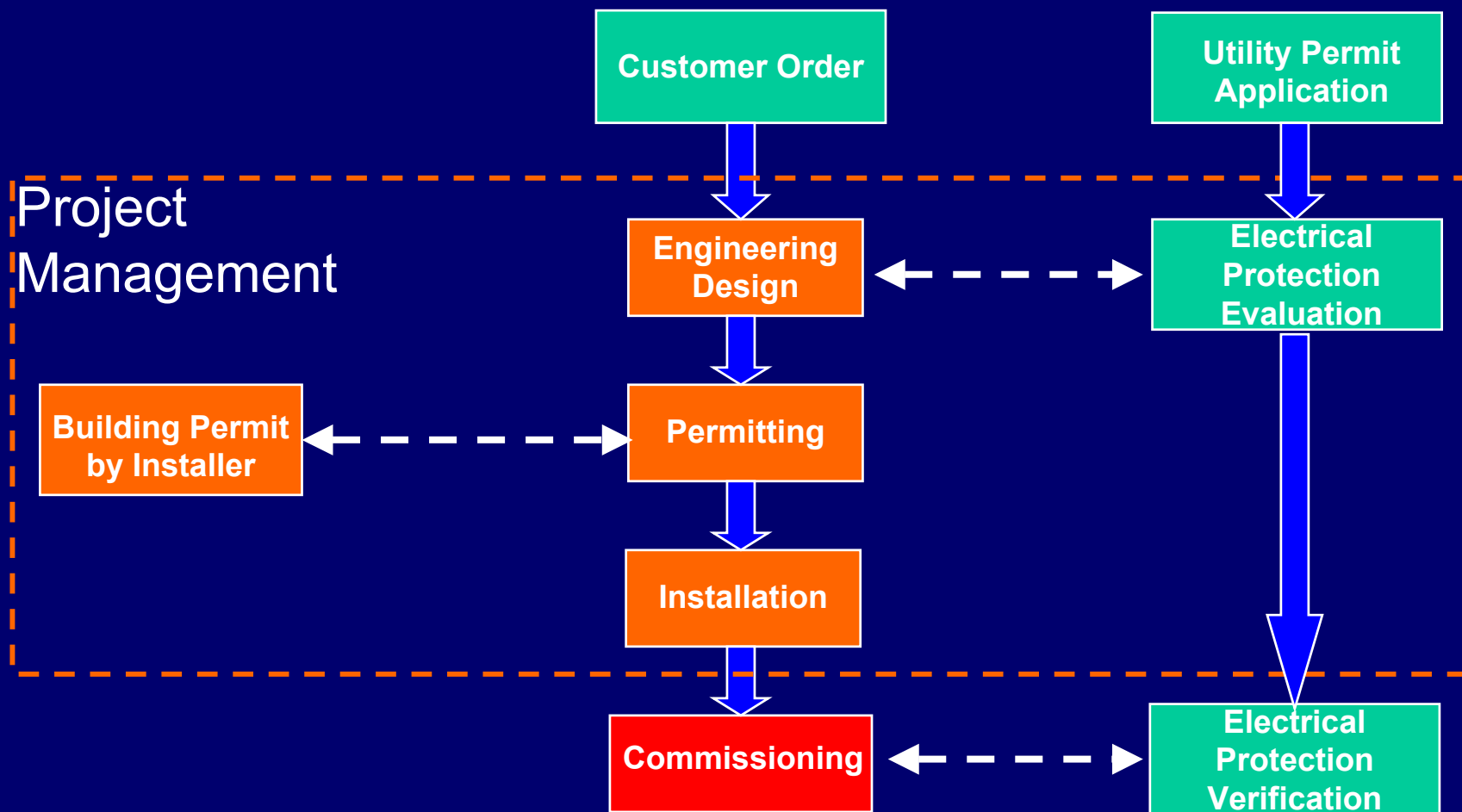
# ***Installation Types – Single Unit w/ Reverse Power Flow Protection***



**Reverse Power Flow protection requires the use of an external power meter**



# ***The Installation Process***





# ***Installation Considerations***

- ***Mounting***

- *Siting indoor/outdoor or rooftop?*

- ***Public Access***

- *How do I limit public access?*

- ***Service Access***

- *Is there enough space to perform required maintenance and service tasks?*

- ***Fuel Supply***

- *Gas pressure high enough ?*
  - *Internal/external compressors available*

- ***Power Wiring***

- *How long will my cable runs need to be?*

- ***Control Wiring***

- *How long does my communications cable need to be?*

- ***Intake & Exhaust Air***

- *Is my intake and exhaust air adequate?*

- ***Exhaust Heat***

- *Is there a concern about the exhaust heat ducting or how it will be used?*

- ***Regulatory Requirements***

- *Electrical Interconnect Permit/Air Permit*
- *Is UL approval required?*
- *Which building and fire codes are applicable?*



# ***Typical Installation***

**Fused Disconnect Switch**



**Natural Gas Connection**



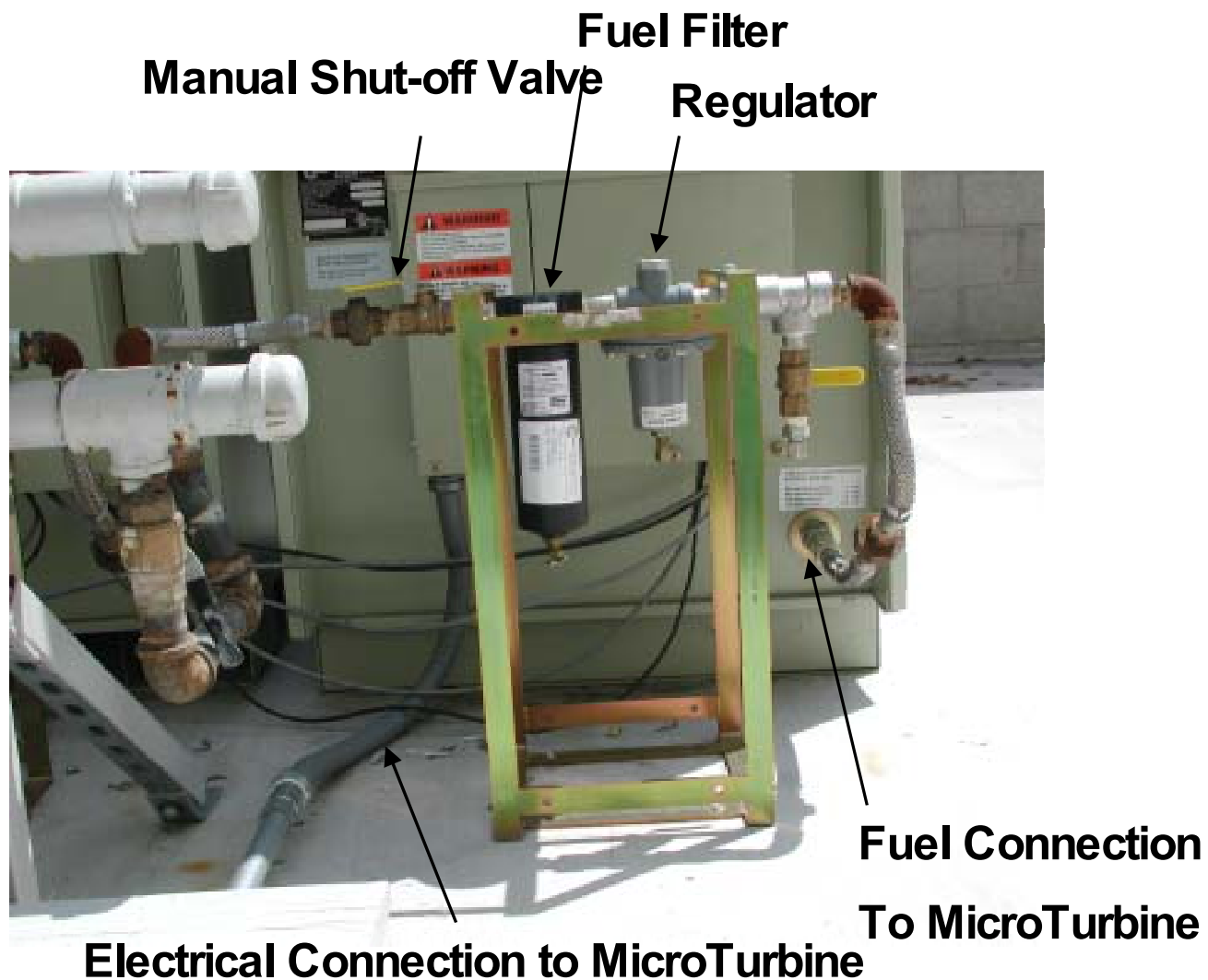


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# ***Applicable Standards and Codes***

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- ***UL 2200***      ***Stationary Engine Generator Assemblies***
- ***UL1741***      ***Inverter, Converters, and Controllers for Use in Independent Power Systems***
- ***UL508C***      ***Industrial Controllers***
- ***NFPA 37***      ***Stationary Combustion Engines***
- ***NFPA 54***      ***National Fuel Gas Code***
- ***NFPA 70***      ***National Electric Code***
- ***ANSI C84.1***      ***Electric Power Systems & Equipment Voltage Ratings (60Hz)***
- ***ANSI 133.8***      ***Gas Turbine Installation Sound Emissions***
- ***CSA C22.2-100*** ***Motors and Generators, Industrial Products***
- ***Major building codes :***
  - ***National Building Code***
  - ***Uniform Building Code***
  - ***Standard Building Code***
- ***Existing Electrical Interconnect Standards***
  - ***NY: PSC Standardized Interconnect Requirements***
  - ***CA: Rule 21***
  - ***TX: PUC Standardized Interconnect Requirements***
  - ***IEEE P1547 National Interconnect Standard (pending)***